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BE UNDERSTOOD.

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Library News

by Linda Canty

I AM HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE MAIN LIBRARY IS NOW CALLED IRENE Hodock Library. Irene was the ISD librarian for 38 years (1950-1988), so it was befitting that the library be named after her. Last Tuesday, during Deaf Heritage Week (sponsored by the Indiana School for the Deaf Alumni Association), Irene was honored with numerous accolades for her many years of service to the school. The plaque in her name is now hung outside of the library on the wall.

Want to know how to find an article or where to locate a book without going to the library in your hometown? Just click INSPIRE on your computer and there you'll find it. Inspire is Indiana's virtual library on the Internet. Inspire offers free access to a full range of commercial databases such as library catalogs, periodicals and newspapers and other electronic resources for Hoosiers. These can be accessed from your homes, offices, libraries, schools and business using any PC equipped with an Internet connection and a Web browser such as Netscape or Microsoft Internet Explorer. Use the address <http://www.inspire-indiana-net> to link the databases. These databases are funded by the State of Indiana library and Inspire is managed and operated by INCOLSA (Indiana Cooperative Library Services Authority). Please let me know how you are doing with Inspire or if you need assistance.

Last spring, we received a very generous check from Ruth Ann Britt of Mira Loma, California, in memory of her brother, Robert L. Bates. Robert was a former student of ISD and graduated at Gallaudet University in 1955. He resided with his wife and four sons in Virginia for many years. Ruth's employer,

Capital Research and Management Company, sent this contribution to the ISD library in her name. These funds will be used to purchase books for the library and memorial labels will be placed in the books. We appreciate Ruth's generosity and thoughtfulness in donating such a large check to the ISD library.



*Former ISD librarian
and honoree Irene Hodock*

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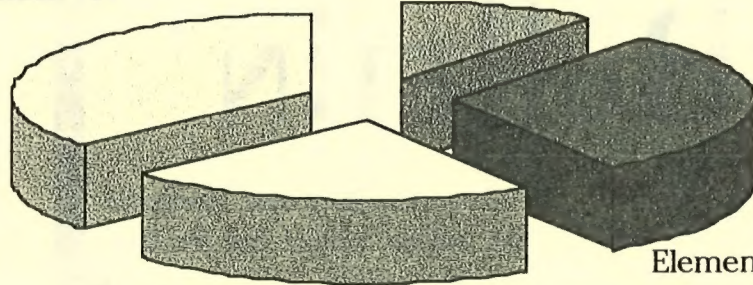
Note to parents

There is still
time for your
child to raise
mid-term grades!

from Bob Kovatch, Principal

High School: 117

Preschool: 34



Elementary: 98

Middle School: 72

SIRS available on the internet

by Linda Canty

The news of the day is that SIRS is now available from the IMCPL web-based patron services page, meaning that it is now available outside of the library. From your home or workplace, you will need to have a computer, a modem, an internet connection, and an Indianapolis Marion County Public Library card.

Here's how it works:

1. Point your browser to Indianapolis Marion County Public Library's home page:
<http://www.imcpl.lib.in.us>.
2. Select "Patron Services on the Web".
3. Fill in your library card number and password and lick "Submit".
4. Select "Magazines, Newspapers, Encyclopedias, Databases, etc."
5. Select "Electric Library" or "GaleNet Databases" or "SIRS Discoverer".

If you have any questions, please contact Linda Canty for assistance.

October ASL-interpreted performances

from Chuck Daube

There will be two interpreted shows during the month of October:

On October 11, at the Vogue, "The Debutante Ball" will be a joint concert with Sapphonia, the small ensemble group from the Indianapolis Women's Chorus, and IndyVisible, the Indianapolis Men's Chorus ensemble group.

"Abe Lincoln in Illinois" will be performed at the Indiana Repertory Theatre (IRT) at 2:00 p.m. on October 25. Contact the IRT box office at 635-5252 (v) for tickets.

Flu vaccinations for staff

by Deb Robarge

THE COMING OF AGE organization will provide 98-99 flu vaccinations for interested staff on Wednesday, October 14, from 1 to 4 p.m. The flu shot will not be given if you are acutely ill or have an allergy to egg or egg products (especially history of anaphylaxis).

If you would like to receive the vaccine, come to the Health Center during the clinic times (between 1-4 p.m.) and fill out an authorization form. The charge for the vaccination is \$10 and you can pay with cash or check, made payable to "Coming of Age".

Influenza is a viral illness of the respiratory tract, which usually produces fever, chills, cough, and muscle soreness. Unlike other common respiratory illnesses, influenza can cause extreme illness lasting several days. Although influenza is most serious when it affects the elderly and chronically ill, it is also of major importance when it affects those who supply vital public needs leading to a significant number of lost work days.

If you have any questions about influenza or the vaccination, please contact the Health Center staff at 924-8409.

Tapping the group's mind

WHEN YOU WANT A GROUP TO REACH CONSENSUS ON AN issue without talking it to death, it's useful to know how close to agreement people actually are.

The Winslow Co-housing group in Seattle, which operates by consensus, uses a clever visual tool to speed decision-making while empowering every member of the group.

Each person at their meetings is given five 3" by 5" cards of different colors. When someone in the group wants a "reading" of the group, members are asked to raise one of these cards:

- ✓ Green means "I agree - let's go ahead."
- ✓ Blue means "I'm neutral or have only a slight reservation."
- ✓ Yellow means "I have a question of need clarification."
- ✓ Orange means "I have a serious reservation, but not enough to block consensus."
- ✓ Red means "I am against this and I will block the decision."

When those cards are in the air everyone can see at a glance how close the group is to full agreement and, if not, what might be in the way.

An earlier and simpler version of this system, developed by consultant Kay Tift, involves just three colors:

- ✓ Green means go, or "Yes, I support your proposal."
- ✓ Orange means caution, or "Before I choose, I have a question or comment."
- ✓ Red means stop, or "I do not support your proposal."

As an alternative, Kay suggests using thumbs, with thumbs-up meaning yes, thumbs sideways meaning maybe, and thumbs-down no.

Source: Carolyn Shaffer & Kristin Amundsen, Creating Community Anywhere: Finding Support and Connection in a Fragmented World.

Staff Development Briefs

by Mary Alice Moon

If you would like more information on any of the following workshops you may contact the Staff Development Office, which is located in Building 6 in Room 223. Our phone number is ext. 414. There is also additional information on the bulletin board outside the office.

Title: Secretaries/Support Staff Seminar
Offered by: ISEAS Project
Skills: Implications of the Proposed IDEA Federal Regulations for Support Staff
Date: 9:30 - 2:30
Cost: \$15.00
Location: Holiday Inn North

Title: National Conference on School Violence
Offered by: The Teacher's Workshop
Skills: How to curb school violence and what teachers need to know about violence reduction
Date: February 25 - 27, 1999
Cost: \$249
Location: St. Louis, MO.

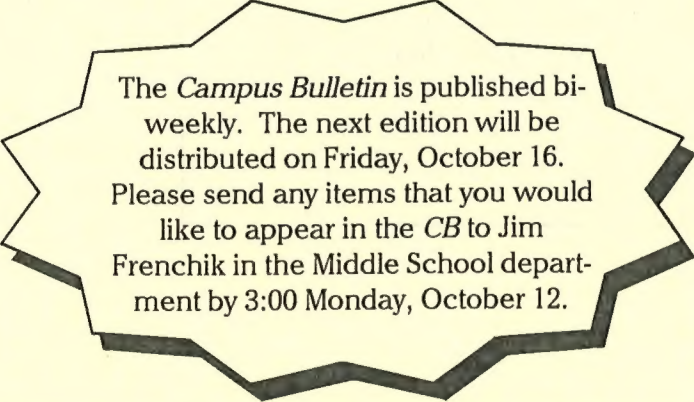
Title: Training in Creative Problem Solving
Skills: Develop your own personal approach to creativity, problem solving and decision making
Offered by: The Blumberg Center - IN State Univ.
Date: November 2 - 3, 1998
Cost: \$200
Location: Holiday Inn North

Title: What is CHARGE?
Offered by: IN State University
Skills: Learn the genetic issues, symptoms and impact on the individual
Date: Nov. 13, 1998
Cost: \$25
Location: Ramada Inn - Airport

Title: Improving Student Performance
Offered by: National Study of School Education
Skills: Focus on the quality of the work of students, on the work of the schools and putting the indicators of quality to work in behalf of school improvement
Date: Nov. 5 - 7
Cost: \$350
Location: Rosemont, Ill.

Title: The Exceptional Assistant
Offered by: Fred Pryor
Skills: Assertiveness and responsibility balancing priorities, crisis management and how to reduce interruptions
Date: December 9, 1998
Cost: \$89
Location: Quality Inn East

Title: Conflict Management & Confrontational Skills
Offered by: Fred Pryor
Skills: How to meet conflict and reach a mutual understanding
Date: November 17, 1998
Cost: \$99
Location: Ramada Inn South



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